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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Information Technology, DA
Director of Security, DA

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Chief, Information Management Staff

SUBJECT: Development of a Secure VM Password Delivery
Application

1. Action: Development of a secure means for electronic delivery of passwords to Special Center applications customers.

2. Background: The current password issuance system requires the secure generation, printing, enveloping, storage, and delivery of a password to each customer twice per year, per access. As DO use of computer systems increases, the present password system's inherent inefficiencies are being magnified. We have also discovered that standard forms, such as those bearing passwords, are easily identifiable for what they are and thus open to idle curiosity and not-so-idle attempts to discover others' passwords.

3. Proposal: We request the Office of Information Technology and the Office of Security, in coordination with DO/Information Management Staff, develop a means for the secure on-line delivery of passwords. It would be appreciated if this capability could be provided by March 1987.

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